

# Update on ASR Climate Modeling Data Development at LLNL

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## Introduction

This poster presents new additions, updates and future plans for the cloud modeling Value Added Products (VAPs) being developed by the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) ARM Infrastructure team.

These include:

1. Transition of the ARM showcase Climate Modeling Best Estimate (CMBE) to **ARM Best Estimate (ARMBE)**,
2. **Large-scale forcing datasets**
  - MC3E (22 Apr – 6 Jun 2011)
  - SPARTICUS (1 Jan – 30 Jun 2010)
  - AMIE\_Gan (13 Nov – 13 Dec 2011)
3. **New VAP for ECOR turbulent fluxes (QCECOR)**
4. Updated **ARM Cloud Retrieval Ensemble Dataset (ACRED)**.
5. Upcoming new **ARMBE-Land** (see "Future Goals")

## ARMBE

The former Climate Modeling Best Estimate (CMBE) was updated and transitioned to ARM Best Estimate (ARMBE). The updates include:

- New variables:
  - **surface clear sky radiative fluxes**, for calculating effective cloud albedo (for SGP)
  - **latent and sensible heat fluxes from ECOR**, instrument (in addition to fluxes from BAEBBR).
- New **improved cloud fraction** algorithm that does not rely on ceilometer/lidar cloud base estimate that can be faulty when lidar is not working (mainly before 2000), *This change does not affect the cloud fraction when both lidar and radar are operational, which is the data we always recommend to use.*
- **The most recently reprocessed MWRRET** liquid water path, precipitable water.
- **The most recent surface and TOA radiative flux.**
- This data has now a **DOI number**

### ARMBEATM:

NSA.C1: North Slope Alaska, Barrow, AK, 01/01/2001 - 12/31/2011  
 SGP.C1: Southern Great Plains, Lamont, OK, 01/01/1994 - 12/31/2012  
 TWP.C1: Tropical Western Pacific, Manus Island, PNG, 01/01/1996 - 12/31/2011  
 TWP.C2: Tropical Western Pacific, Nauru Island, 01/01/1998 - 12/31/2011  
 TWP.C3: Tropical Western Pacific, Darwin, Australia, 01/01/2002 - 12/31/2011

### ARMBECLDRAD:

NSA.C1: North Slope Alaska, Barrow, AK, 01/01/1998 - 12/31/2010  
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<http://www.arm.gov/data/vaps/armbe>

## ARMBE DOI Numbers & Reference

ARMBE data has a **DOI number** and should be referenced by it.

### Data Reference and Download:

[sgparmbecldrad.C1](http://www.arm.gov/data/vaps/armbe) DOI: 10.5439/1039926

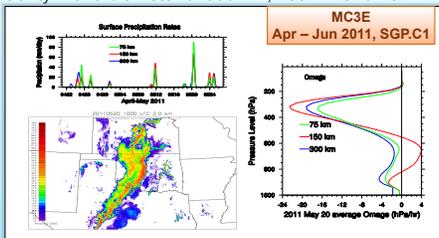
[sgparmbeatm.C1](http://www.arm.gov/data/vaps/armbe) DOI: 10.5439/1039931

download and more info <http://www.arm.gov/data/vaps/armbe>

Xie, S., R.B. McCoy, S.A. Klein, et al., 2010: Clouds And More: ARM Climate Modeling Best Estimate Data. *Bull. Amer. Meteor. Soc.*, 91, 13–20. doi:10.1175/2009BAMS2891.1

## MC3E Multiscale Forcing

The multiscale-domain forcing data with improved sounding was updated for domains centered at central facility with a diameter of **300 km, 150 km and 75 km**.

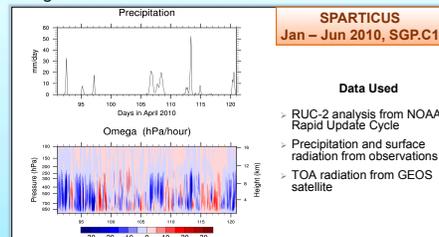


### Data Download:

[http://lop.archive.arm.gov/arm-top/0eval-data/xie/scm-forcing/lop\\_at\\_sgp/](http://lop.archive.arm.gov/arm-top/0eval-data/xie/scm-forcing/lop_at_sgp/)

## SPARTICUS Forcing

The large-scale forcing data is available for SPARTICUS IOP covering the period **1/1/2010 to 6/30/2010**. This is an average over the domain of 300km centered at SGP CF.

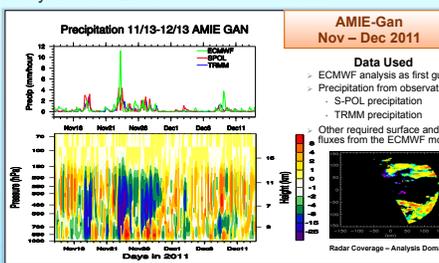


### Data Download:

[http://lop.archive.arm.gov/arm-top/0eval-data/xie/scm-forcing/continuous\\_at\\_sgp/2010/](http://lop.archive.arm.gov/arm-top/0eval-data/xie/scm-forcing/continuous_at_sgp/2010/)

## AMIE-Gan Forcing

Large scale forcing data was developed for the AMIE-Gan IOP over the **2<sup>nd</sup> MJO period (11/13/2011- 12/13/2011)** covering the S-POL area analysis domain. The data is 3-hourly and has 25 mb vertical resolution.

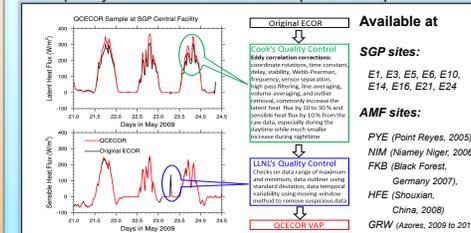


### Data Used

ECMWF analysis as first guess  
 Precipitation from observations  
 S-POL precipitation  
 TRMM precipitation  
 Other required surface and TOA fluxes from the ECMWF model

## QCECOR

New quality controlled ECOR data (QCECOR).

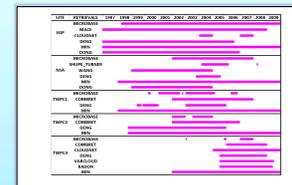


### Data Download:

<http://lop.archive.arm.gov/arm-top/0eval-data/xie/qcecor/>

## ACRED

The **ARM Cloud Retrieval Ensemble Dataset (ACRED)** contains eleven hourly averaged cloud retrieval products for 5 ARM research sites. Cloud properties include LWP, LWC, liquid re, IWP, IWC, ice re, and cloud optical depth. Table shows the data availability.



### Data Download and Reference

<http://lop.archive.arm.gov/arm-top/0eval-data/xie/acred/>

Zhao C., S. Xie, S. Klein, et al. 2012: Toward understanding of differences in current cloud retrievals of ARM ground-based measurements. *J. Geophys. Res.*, 117, D10206, doi:10.1029/2011JD016792.

## Future Goals

### • ARMBE

- **ARMBE Land** - preliminary dataset based on CO2FLX, EBRR, SWAT5 was already developed and contains:
  - Soil temperature, soil moisture, soil heat flux
  - CO2 concentration and density
  - photosynthetic photon flux density
- Create ARMBE for AMF China and AMF Azores
- Add area-average ARMBE
- Add statistical ARMBE data
- ARMBE RIPBE

### • Large-Scale Forcing

- Ensemble forcing for MC3E IOP
- Forcing data for AMIE IOP

### • QCECOR

- Extend to current with SEBS constraints

### • ACRED

- High frequency ACRED
- Create ensemble MICROBASE cloud retrieval dataset

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